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The last few years have been most difficult for the technology industry. The Microsoft lawsuit that the Department of Justice has been engaged in has cost the industry and has taken millions of dollars away from matters of urgency that would make this country better. The original suit was persuaded by Microsoft competitors and unfortunately they used taxpayer dollars to push their competitive edge in the market.

The settlement agreed upon by the Department of Justice and the Microsoft Company is at this time reasonable. It allows the entire technology industry to move forward and start the innovations rolling again. Our economy is ready for a new idea.

Please accept the settlement and close the books on the matter.

Sincerely,  
Rep. J. Morgan Philpot  
Utah House of Representatives